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SUBJ: CCMS GEOTHERMAL PILOT STUDY TOUR ON NON-ELECTRICAL USES, JUNE
17-27, 1974.

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SUMMARY: GOJ UNLIKELY TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO CCMS GEOTHERMAL
TOUR. ANSWER TO EMBASSY'S DEMARCHE ON GOJ ASSOCIATION WITH CCMS
EXPECTED NEXT WEEK. END SUMMARY.

1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF INQUIRY, FONOFF OFFICIAL KATSUNO (SECOND
INTNL ECO AFFAIRS DIV, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUREAU--
NEW DIV NAME) SAID THAT FONOFF WOULD SEND TOUR INVITATION
TO MIN OF INTNL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) ON JUNE 14.
FONOFF, WHICH RECEIVED INVITATION FROM EMBOFF JUNE 7, DELAYED
HANDLING OF LATEST SPECIFIC INVITATION WHILE COORDINATING ITS
POSITION ON BROADER ISSUE OF GOJ ASSOCIATION WITH CCMS. REPLY ON
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LATTER SUBJECT, FIRST EXPECTED JUNE 14, NOW IS PROMISED FOR

EARLY IN WEEK OF JUNE 17. FONOFF WILL THEREFORE HANDLE THIS INVITATION SEPARATELY.

2. KATSUNO SAID THAT BUDGETARY LIMITATIONS MIGHT FORCE MITI TO DECLINE TO SEND ANY PARTICIPANTS ON TOUR. EMBASSY COMMENT: MENTION OF FISCAL CONSTRAINTS, TOGETHER WITH DILATORY NATURE OF FONOFF HANDLING OF INVITATION, MAKE IT OBVIOUS FONOFF DOES NOT EXPECT GOJ PARTICIPATION IN EUROPEAN TOUR. INFO ADDRESSEES NEED NOT RESERVE ANY HOTEL SPACE FOR JAPANESE. END COMMENT.

3. ACCORDING TO KATSUNO, NOMURA, ACTING DIRGEN OF ECON AFFAIRS BUREAU, FONOFF, PLANS TO CALL IN CHARGE "EARLY NEXT WEEK" TO PRESENT GOJ REPLY TO US TALKING PAPER PRESENTED APRIL 25 (REFTEL B). ACCORDING TO KATSUNO, GOJ REPLY WILL BE "RATHER POSITIVE," BUT WILL NOT DETAIL A MODALITY FOR GOJ ASSOCIATION WITH CCMS PROJECTS. GOJ APPROACH TO CCMS PROJECTS WILL BE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS, SEEKING TO AVOID PROJECTS WHICH MIGHT BE USED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES" AND SELECT THOSE WHICH WOULD HAVE "SOME SORT OF MERIT" FROM GOJ POINT OF VIEW.

4. EMBASSY COMMENT: GOJ'S PROSPECTIVE REPLY, ALTHOUGH PRESENTING NO COMMITMENT, IS MORE POSITIVE THAN RECENT SERIES OF CONSISTENT REFUSALS TO ALLOW ANY GOJ PARTICIPATION IN CCMS ACTIVITIES.
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